

READY FOR THE
GREAT BATTLE
OF THE BALLOTS.Republican National Committee
Gives Out Its Final Statement
as to the Probable Result.

CLAIM 294 ELECTORAL VOTES

For McKinley—Expect to See a Veritable
Landslide Which Will Seal
the Doom of Bryan Forever.NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—The Republican
national committee gave out to-
day the following final statement:

"On the eve of election, the Republican national committee's forecast based on absolutely authentic and unimpeachable figures and facts, differs from its previous forecasts only in increasing the magnitude of the triumph which Tuesday will bring to the cause of national honor and prosperity. All the sources of the committee's information, including many that are very unwilling witnesses, concur in indicating the conclusion that Tuesday's election will prove a veritable landslide for McKinley and seal the doom of Bryan and Bryanism forever.

"The prime cause of this irresistible and overwhelming popular revolt against the Bryan Populist ticket is perfectly obvious. It consists in the desire of the people to maintain the prosperity which they have enjoyed and now enjoy under the policies of the McKinley administration and in their well grounded fear of calamity in case Bryan were to be elected.

Remember the Dark Days.

"The laboring man, his wife and children remember the poverty, misery and despair which shrouded their lives in the black years previous to McKinley's inauguration, and they remember with gratitude the relief which has come to them since then, with abundant employment and largely increased wages.

"They listen now to Bryan's invitations to throw away their advantage, but they respectfully decline them.

"The business men of the United States remember what happened to them in those same dark years and they know what the practical result of the election of 1896 has been, in reference to the rehabilitation and prosperity of all lines of commercial enterprise, during the past four years. They correctly regard the proposition to endorse Bryan and his free silver and free trade theories as nothing short of insanity.

Farmers Will Not Forget.

"The farmers are not likely to forget the evil days when they were reduced to bankruptcy and almost to beggary and now, with mortgages lifted, their farm products bringing greatly increased prices and their homes filled with comfort and joy, they do not propose to change their conditions at the behest of the false prophet of 1896 and the anarchical agitation of 1900. All who have remunerative work to do; all who have wages paid them and who have a business to protect and develop, all who have money deposited in savings banks or invested in homes of their own, have been confronted with a threat to reduce the value of their property by one-half and have been asked to ratify this suicidal proposition by their votes.

Country Has Prospered.

"The people know that the country has prospered under McKinley; that wages have risen to a higher rate than ever before, that employment is abundant for all; that the savings of labor have increased a half billion dollars; that commercial prosperity has been universal and commercial honor safeguarded against the advocates of repudiation, and so they naturally have decided to re-elect him, and continue the present conditions of prosperity and safety.

The committee's final forecast claims at least the following states for McKinley:

California	9	New York	35
Connecticut	6	North Dakota	3
Delaware	3	Ohio	23
Illinois	24	Oregon	4
Indiana	16	Pennsylvania	32
Iowa	10	South Dakota	4
Kansas	10	Utah	4
Kentucky	12	Vermont	4
Louisiana	9	Washington	4
Maine	6	West Virginia	6
Maryland	8	Wisconsin	12
Massachusetts	15	Wyoming	5
Michigan	14	Total	294
Minnesota	10		
New Hampshire	4		
New Jersey	10		

(Signed) CORNELIUS N. BLISS,
JOSEPH H. MANLEY,
NATHAN B. SCOTT,
FREDERICK S. GIBBS,
FRANKLIN MURPHY.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK

For Republicans in This State—Senator
Cole Says White Will Get
15,000 to 20,000 Majority—Legis-
lature Sure.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WESTON, W. Va., Nov. 4.—Senator
George C. Cole, who is a shrewd but
quiet politician, and has always been
conservative as well as accurate in his
estimates of politics, gave out the fol-
lowing to-day to the Intelligencer cor-
respondent:

"I have been over the most of this
state during this campaign, working
for the Republican ticket, rather in a
quiet way, but made it a point during
my travels to gather all the facts pos-
sible in regard to the national, state
and legislative tickets in this state, and
believe that McKinley and White will

carry the state by from 15,000 to 20,000
majority.""Why do you place your estimate
above that of 1896?"

"Because, first, I find so few Republi-
cans who have changed politics as
compared with the number in 1896 that
they are hardly worth naming. Second,
in 1896 the voting population was, in
round numbers, 200,000 in this state; of
this number about 95,000 were Demo-
crats and about 5 per cent of them say
that they do not want to take chances
on a change of administrations at this
time.

"And third, our voting population has
increased about 10,000 since 1896, two-
thirds of which are Republicans, mak-
ing about 3,000 majority more, which
would give us close to 28,000 majority
in all."

"What do you think of White's
chances as compared with McKinley's
in this state?"

"I believe that White will practically
get the same vote that McKinley will
get in this state."

"What is your opinion of the result
of the legislative ticket?"

May Have 27 on Joint Ballot.

"Well, we will carry nine and possi-
bly ten of the senatorial districts, which
will give us a majority of four in that
body; we will carry all the counties and
delegates districts that we carried in
1896, which gave us thirty-two members
in the house at that time, with Bar-
bour, Berkeley, Cabell, Lincoln, Monroe,
Pleasants, Raleigh, Taylor, Wirt and
the one we lost in Harrison, and possi-
bly one or two in Marion, with the
Lewis-Webster, Tyler-Weigel, and
one from the Braxton-Clay delegate
districts, making fifteen more members
of the house, which will give us a ma-
jority in that body of twenty-three, or
a majority of twenty-seven on joint
ballot."

"What have you to say of your sena-
torial district?"

"Hon. W. B. Corder will carry it by

FAIR ELECTION WEATHER PROMISED.

From Ocean to Ocean, With a Slight Exception,
Tuesday Will Bring Forth a Cloudless Sky.WASHINGTON, Nov. 4.—The Weather Bureau to-night issued
the following:

Sunday, November 4, 1900, 10 p. m.

Special Forecast for Tuesday, November 6, 1900.—

For the first time in ten days, the weather map shows a clear
sky over the whole region from the Pacific to the Atlantic, except
over a small area on the middle Atlantic coast, where some rain is
falling as a result of a severe storm, the center of which is off
Hatteras.

The pressure is high over the western half of the country.
These conditions will surely give clear fine weather and pleasant
temperatures in all states on Monday, except possibly showers on
the immediate middle Atlantic coast line. While it is possible for
a storm to develop somewhere in this broad area by Tuesday, the
conditions are unusually favorable for the continuation of the fine
weather of Monday over to and throughout Tuesday.

(Signed) WILLIS L. MOORE,
Chief United States Weather Bureau.

not less than 800 majority. Lewis county
will give 300 Republican majority
and Webster county will give 200 Demo-
cratic majority.

"I believe that everything is safe for
us this time, and we will have a reign
of four more years of prosperity in this
country."

CAMPAIGN CLOSED

In Mineral County With the Great-
est Demonstration Ever Witnessed
in the County—Dayton's Majority
Will Reach 3,000.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
PIEDMONT, W. Va., Nov. 4.—The
closing of the Republican campaign in
Mineral county, West Virginia, took
place last evening preceded by a large
and enthusiastic torch light procession,
with several bands of music and more
than 800 people in line and thousands
of patriotic citizens on the streets.

The Rough Rider regiment from Mineral
county was out in full ranks, command-
ed by Major J. F. Harrison, and the
town was crowded with hundreds of
persons to witness the spectacular part
of the parade. The flambeau club and
Mother Hubbards were also out in
force.

The meeting at the opera house was
presided over by one of our prominent
merchants, Mr. W. H. Gilbert, with a
host of others equally as prominent on
the stage. Hon. Alston G. Dayton, in
an eloquent and forcible manner ad-
dressed the people. By the way, his
election is now claimed by over 3,000
majority.

He was followed by that forcible and
soul-stirring young speaker, the Hon.
William C. Amos, of Colorado. The
tri-towns were illuminated and deco-
rated for this event and any quantity
of red fire was burned. The ladies Re-
publican club, over 100 in number, was
also present, and to these ladies is due
the credit for fine decorations of the
opera house. Altogether it was the
largest and most enthusiastic meeting
ever held in Piedmont at the closing of
a campaign.

Maryland for McKinley.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 4.—The day has
been a quiet one throughout the state
with no political developments of im-
portance, except that Chairman Golds-
borough, of the Republican state cen-
tral committee, to-night issued a state-
ment in which he claimed that McKin-
ley would surely carry the state by at
least 11,000 votes. Both sides seem con-
fident, and the betting, which has heret-
ofore been strongly in favor of McKin-
ley has veered sharply toward Bryan.

Senator Davis' Condition Worse.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 4.—The condi-
tion of Senator C. K. Davis is reported
as decidedly worse to-night and grave
fears are entertained that if his life
shall be saved it may be at the cost of
his foot or possibly his right leg. The
pus which had formed in the fore part
of his foot and for the removal of which
two surgical operations were perform-
ed, has now gathered further back to-
ward the heel and indications are that
it is permeating the entire limb.

EXPLOSION IN
MINE RESULTS
IN AWFUL DEATHOf Twelve Men and the Injury of
Others—Property of Southern
Coal Company.

BODIES BLOWN TO PIECES.

Seven of the Unfortunates Unrecog-
nizable—Mines Recently Opened.
Many Ugly Rumors Afloat.PHILIPPI, W. Va., Nov. 4.—One of the
saddest calamities in the history of Bar-
bour county occurred Saturday morn-
ing, at 1 o'clock, at the mines of the
Southern Coal and Transportation Com-
pany, at Berryburg, six miles from this
place. As a result, these are dead:

Ollie Marks, pit boss.

Andrew Blackwell.

Albert Brown.

Lawrence Duncan.

Pack Adams.

Seven others, whose names are not ob-
tainable.The injured are Will Marks and James
Jackson, both of whom will die.

The explosion was so great that mules

into the mines. He was about twenty
years of age and well educated.

The mines of Berryburg have only
been opened a short time. They have
had a great deal of trouble. First the
mines were flooded, and then the men
struck. Last week the stables were set
on fire and six horses burned. Now
comes the explosion.

Colonel B. F. Berry, the millionaire
mine owner, arrived here this morning,
but refused to discuss the affair.

Most of the miners moved here only a
few weeks ago, and, as they were al-
most unknown to each other, it is hard
to recognize a body when it is found.

Most of the men came from North Car-
olina and the District of Columbia.

So far no explanations have been made
of the turning off of the fan at 9 o'clock.
The engineer in charge was seen, but
was very reticent. He said that at 9
o'clock a man came out from North Car-
olina and told him the electrician had drilled
all the holes needed for the night, and
told him to shut off the fan. Miners
say that was the very time the fans
were needed, as when the charges were
fired it would cause all the smoke and
dust to rise.

Ugly Rumors Are Afloat.

The engineer in charge refuses to
state who this man was. Ugly rumors
have been afloat all day long about the
cause of the disaster. The most chari-
table construction to place on the mat-
ter is that it was due to the inexperience
of the mine boss, Ollie Marks, who now
lies at death's door.

Prosecuting Attorney Murphy and
Justice W. G. Keys left last night for
Berryburg to hold an inquest. The
damage done to the mines will amount
to considerable, the entire number being
blown into one mass of debris. The
day-light tunnel will have to be fixed
before cars can be run in to it. Every-
thing shows signs of disorder.

A messenger just returned from the
mines states that the bodies of twelve
men have been brought out, eight of
whom were recognized.

Four men are in the hospital, not ex-
pected to live until morning. Twenty
men are unaccounted for. The men are
mostly negroes and slaves.

MINE BOSS DEAD.

Two Other Victims Not Expected to
Live—Explosion Caused by Dyna-
mite.

PHILIPPI, W. Va., Nov. 4.—The work
of clearing the mine at Berryburg pro-
gressed so well to-day that operations
will be resumed to-morrow. It has been
ascertained now that there were only
fourteen men in the mine and that the
explosion was caused by dynamite and
not by gas. The fourteen men on the
repair gang were all white and they
were working during the night. The
list of victims as given last night was
correct. Mine boss Ollie Marks is also
dead and his brother, William Marks,
will not recover. James Jackson is not
expected to survive the night. The
miners are all negroes and if the explo-
sion had occurred during the day there
would have been many lives lost. Three
mules and six cars were blown out of
the entry tunnel by the fourteen men.
Some of the bodies were torn to pieces.

QUARRELED OVER POLITICS

And Was Found Later With Two
Dangerous Stabs in His Breast.
Father Acknowledges Cutting His
Son.Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 4.—
About 1 o'clock this morning, as Sar-
dis Chaddock, of the South Side, was
enroute from this city to his home, he
met a stranger at the south end of the
Little Kanawha river bridge, with whom
he became involved in a political dis-
cussion. Blows followed words and
later on Chaddock was found on the
roadside with two dangerous stabs in
his breast. He was brought to police
headquarters, where his injuries were
found to be fatal.

He died to-night from a wound in the
bowels.

In his ante-mortem statement, Chad-
dock claimed he told the unknown that
Bryan would be elected. The stranger
called him a liar, and he knocked the
stranger down and was immediately
stabbed.

At 11:30 to-night James Chaddock, ar-
r., father of the dead man, who had been
arrested on suspicion, was brought to
the city hospital, where the inquest was
in progress, and after a rigid examina-
tion, he admitted having "cut at" his
son, but would not admit that he com-
mitted the crime. He claimed that his
son knocked him down three times and
that he used his knife while on the
ground.

It developed that the murdered man
knew his father did the cutting, but
would not acknowledge it even in the
face of death. At 1 a. m. the inquest
was still in progress, the alleged mur-
derer being still on the stand.

Life-Long Democrat Turns.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 4.—
Among the many life-long Democrats
who will cast their first Republican
ticket on Tuesday, is Mr. B. F. Dullin,
of Elizabeth, Wirt county, who has for
years been prominent in state politics
and has held many positions of trust
and honor. He states that he does not
believe in the Croker methods, which he
has reason to think his party intend
adopting in West Virginia.

Engagement Announced.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 4.—At
a dinner given by Mrs. George A. Burr,
to-day, announcement was made of the
engagement of Miss Ida Nelly and Mr.
George K. Gambrell. The wedding will
take place on November 26th, from
Trinity Episcopal church and will be an
elaborate affair. Both parties are of
social prominence.SIXTO LOPEZ
ANSWERED BY
MR. SCHURMAN.Former's Open Letter Gratifying
Proof of the Correctness of Re-
port of the Commission.

GREAT RACIAL DIFFERENCES

And Varieties of Social Conditions
Make Filipinos Hard to Govern.
Our Mission is to Save Them.BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 4.—Professor
Jacob Gould Schurman, who passed
through this city this afternoon en-
route from the west to Ithaca, handed
to the Associated Press the reply to an
open letter addressed to him by Mr.
Sixto Lopez:

"Mr. Sixto Lopez' open letter of the
3d inst., addressed to me, although I
have not seen it except in the news-
papers, is a gratifying proof of the cor-
rectness of the report of the Philippine
commission. Mr. Lopez, by his declara-
tions, confirms all I have said of the
promising educational possibilities in
the Philippines and of the admirable
character of the educated Filipinos, few
though they are, who may be taken as a
type and promise of the future. Nor
does Mr. Lopez deny that the masses of
the inhabitants of the Philippine islands
of all tribes and races are uneducated
and very ignorant. Furthermore by
silent acquiescence in the report of our
commission, Mr. Lopez acknowledges
that the majority of the Filipinos either
desire American sovereignty as is the
case with men of education and prop-
erty or acquiesce in it, or are indifferent
to it and that the demand for indepen-
dence originated with the ambitious
Tagalog insurgent leaders who have
diffused it with fire and sword, aided by
atrocious misrepresentations of the
aims and purposes of the United States.

Doesn't Question the Report.

"Lastly, Mr. Lopez does not question
the finding of our commission that the
inhabitants of the Philippine islands are
marked by great racial and tribal dif-
ferences by immense varieties of social
condition which range all the way from
the civilization of Manila down through
all phases of barbarism to the naked
savages of Mindanao and Northern Luz-
on, by a bewildering multiplicity of
languages which are mutually unintelli-
gible by dense ignorance on the part
of the masses of the people, by the ab-
sence of union and concert and the ut-
ter lack of the idea and sentiment of
nationality and by the absolute inexpe-
rience of all classes in the affairs of gov-
ernment which Spain always kept in
Spanish hands. And the consequence
to be drawn from all this is equally in-
disputable; nor does Mr. Lopez seek to
dispute it, namely that the various and
diversified peoples of the Philippine is-
lands are at the present time incapable
of being considered as a nation; they
are utterly unfit to accept sovereignty
over the archipelago even if the Ameri-
can people wished to invest them with
it; nor have they any hope of ever be-
coming a free and self governing nation
except in the continuance of American
sovereignty over them and in the peace,
prosperity, education and ever-increas-
ing liberty of self-government, which
the flag guarantees them.

Quickly Beget Anarchy.

"Pull down our flag and you leave the
Philippines a prey to internal feuds and
domestic insurrections which would
quickly beget anarchy. This would ne-
cessitate the intervention of foreign
powers for the protection of the lives
and property of their subjects. Of
course the islands would eventually be
divided up among them and the Fili-
pinos would exchange the free institu-
tions and home rule which the Ameri-
can people desire as soon as possible
and the largest degree possible to be-
stow upon them, for the genuine imperi-
alism of old world emperors and kings
and czars. It is the mission of our re-
public to save the Filipinos, who in gen-
eral are most promising, estimable and
even lovable peoples, from the cruel
fate and to train them up to the use of
free institutions and the noble work of
self government just as quickly and
generously as they or any portion of
them can be induced to exercise a civic
function so arduous and so unaccus-
tomed."

CARDINAL GIBBONS

Discussed the Coming Election at
High Mass—No Alarm Need Be
Felt Over the Result.BALTIMORE, Nov. 4.—Cardinal Gib-
bons took occasion at high mass to-day
to say a few words on the subject of the
coming election in his regular monthly
sermon to his congregation at the Ca-
thedral. The cardinal never takes any
active part in politics, rarely, if ever
casting his ballot, but to those who are
fortunate enough to be in his confidence,
he does not hesitate to express himself
freely upon the issues involved in the
present contest. He takes the position
that there need be no alarm upon the
part of any one over the result of the
coming election and asserts that there
is nothing in the situation to warrant
the belief that the election of either can-
didate will, in any way seriously affect
the future welfare and prosperity of the
American republic.

Egyptian Cotton Crop Unsatisfactory

CAIRO, Nov. 4.—The October reports
regarding the Egyptian cotton crop are
unsatisfactory both as to yield and
quality.

SAXONIA ARRIVES

At Queenstown With Members of
Schooner Mary Misquito, That Was
Sunk by the Former—Cunarder Not
Damaged.QUEENSTOWN, Nov. 4.—The Cun-
ard line steamer Saxonia, Captain
Pritchard, from Boston, October 27,
which arrived here this morning,
brought fifteen members of the fishing
schooner Mary Misquito, which the
Saxonia sank off Gloucester on the day
of her departure from Boston. One
member of the crew was drowned. The
Cunarder was not damaged.Dr. Bond, of Chelsea, Mass., one of the
Saxonia's passengers, made the fol-
lowing statement regarding the accident:

"We were proceeding at reduced
speed in the fog and blowing the whistle
when, about 6 o'clock in the evening,
the lookout man reported a rail ahead.
The engines were stopped, but the
steamer's way carried her into the
Mary Misquito, making a big opening
amidship and flooding the schooner."

Scene of Great Commotion.

"By this time all the Saxonia's pas-
sengers were on deck. The scene was
one of great commotion, while appalling
shouts proceeded from the schooner,
whose crew, however, worked vigor-
ously and got out two boats.

"Into these fifteen of the crew scram-
bled and put off from the fast sinking
vessel.

"At the moment of the collision the
Saxonia lowered three life boats and
scattered life belts. Fortunately the
sea was smooth. Twenty minutes later
a dory came alongside with ten men
and a life boat of the Saxonia with five,
four of whom had been rescued from a
sinking dory and the other of whom had
fallen into the sea and narrowly escap-
ing drowning. All the men are Portu-
guese."

LIMPED INTO PORT.

Serious Experience of the Steamer
St. Paul—Struck a Submerged
Wreck, Damaging Her Engines.NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—The American
line steamer St. Paul limped into port
this morning under the port engine, af-
ter having incurred the most serious ex-
perience of her career. On October 31st,
the St. Paul struck a supposed sub-
merged wreck, carrying away the star-
board propeller, causing the engines to
race so fiercely that the shaft broke
and all connections snapped. The star-
board engines were so severely wrecked
that they are useless, and it will take
six months to replace them with a new
set. The after outboard shaft tubing
was carried away. The ship is leaking
considerably. When the accident oc-
curred the cabin passengers were quite
excited, but they were soon restored to
quiet by the prompt report that the
steamer was in no danger. The wind
was blowing heavily from the north-
east with a high cross sea. The en-
gineers examined the breaks and dis-
connected the starboard engines and the
St. Paul proceeded on her voyage under
the port engine at a reduced speed.

Fuerst Bismarck Aground.

HAMBURG, Nov. 4.—The Hamburg-
American line steamers Fuerst Bis-
marck, bound from this port for New
York via Southampton, and Cher-
bourg and the Pretoria, from here,
bound to New York by way of Bou-
logne and Plymouth, both went aground
while passing down the Elbe at Schu-
lau, about thirteen miles from here.
Assistance has been sent from here to
help the stranded vessels off.

CAPTAIN ATKINSON

With Small Body of Men Attacked
100 Insurgents With Great Suc-
cess.MANILA, Nov. 4.—Last week was de-
voted to active scouting. The insur-
gents, having failed to crush a single
garrison, are now experiencing a reac-
tion.

Lieutenants Wilson and Dority, of the
Forty-fifth volunteer infantry, destroyed
large stores of rice, four granaries
and a barracks near Bar.

Capt. Howard Atkinson, with thirty-
four men of the Twenty-seventh in-
fantry, attacked 150 insurgents under
Colonel Valencia, recovering two Ameri-
can prisoners and capturing a consid-
erable quantity of ammunition and sup-
plies.

A native orchestra lured the United
States troops from their quarters, near
Dagupan, while the insurgents attacked
the rear, killing two Americans and
wounding three.

To-day Senior Buencamino, represent-
ing the principal ex-insurgents in Ma-
nila, requested Judge Taft to forward
to Washington a signed statement of
their loyalty. There is considerable
excitement over the approaching presi-
dential election, with a good deal of
betting on the result.

MCKINLEY REMEMBERED

By the National Fremont Associa-
tion—Souvenir Badge of Pitts-
burgh's Great Parade Sent Him.PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 4.—The
National Fremont Association last
night sent the following letter to Pres-
ident McKinley:

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 3, 1896.
To His Excellency Hon. William Mc-
Kinley, President of the United
States.

SIR:—The National Fremont Associa-
tion of 1856, founders of the Republi-
can party, by resolution passed unani-
mously by the surviving members, send
you herewith a souvenir badge of the
great industrial demonstration in
Pittsburgh to-day, participated in by
40,000 men with full dinner pails, caused
by the prosperity of which we believe
you are the leading spirit.

We do this because of our admiration
for you as a man; as the chief execu-
tive of the greatest nation in the world,
and because of our unbounded confi-
dence in your administration of the af-
fairs of government, that fully carry
out the principles upon which this party
is founded, and which we have upheld
for forty-four years.

Very respectfully,
GILBERT FOLLANSBEE,
President.

R. H. LONG, Secretary.

A PLOT TO
ENTRAP GOLD
DEMOCRATSIs Discovered in the Democratic
County Committee's Instruc-
tions How to

VOTE A SCRATCHED TICKET.

Their Scheme to Secure Gold Demo-
cratic Votes for Bryan—The
Plot Exposed.The Democratic county committee
has sent out a sample ballot, accom-
panying which is a circular, purport-
ing to give instructions how to vote a
scratched ticket. The circular has
been sent to all known Sound Money
Democrats—as well as to some men who
are going to vote the Republican ticket
from top to bottom this year—AND
THE INSTRUCTIONS ARE INTEN-
TIONALLY AMBIGUOUS, AND INTEN-
DED TO ENTRAP SOUND
MONEY DEMOCRATS AND EU-
CHIRE THEM OUT OF THEIR VOTE
FOR MCKINLEY!

As most voters know, the several
tickets are headed